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MORE ENTREPRENEURS STRIKING OUT ON THEIR OWN FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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NEARLY 900-THOUSAND PEOPLE A YEAR ARE STRIKING OUT ON THEIR OWN IN THE BUSINESS WORLD, THE U-S CENSUS BUREAU REPORTS TODAY. THE NUMBER OF BUSINESSES RUN BY SELF-EMPLOYED PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE A PAYROLL TO MEET EXCEEDED 20 MILLION FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWO-THOUSAND-FIVE. SELF-EMPLOYED BUSINESSES NOW MAKE UP NEARLY THREE-OUT-OF-EVERY-FOUR BUSINESSES IN THE UNITED STATES. THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IS LEADING THE NATION WITH FAST RATES OF GROWTH IN THESE BUSINESSES, WITH EXCEPTIONALLY HIGH SELF-EMPLOYED BUSINESS GROWTH ALSO NOTED IN NEVADA, FLORIDA, GEORGIA AND UTAH. AT THE COUNTY-LEVEL, ORANGE COUNTY IN FLORIDA AND CLARK COUNTY IN NEVADA ARE AT THE TOP WITH AN ANNUAL INCREASE OF NINE PERCENT OR MORE.

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